

SUBCOMMITTEE ON MATERIALS
Mid-Year Web Meeting
Thursday February 18th 1:00 – 3:00 PM EST

TECHNICAL SECTION 4a
Rigid Pipe

I. Call to Order and Opening Remarks

- **Chair: Bob Horwhat**

II. Roll Call

Present Voting Members: FHWA, MO, NJ, NV, PA, SC, VA, OK

Present Non-Voting Member States: TN, AZ, VT, RI, NY, KY, AR, VA

Present Friends of the Tech Section: ACPA, Robert Sarcinella-NTPEP, PPI, NCSA

III. Approval of Technical Section Minutes

- Monday August 3, 2015 meeting minutes (attached)
 - Motion made by OK, seconded by NJ. All were in favor of accepting the minutes as distributed. Motion passes.

IV. Old Business

A. SOM Ballot Item

- i. Negatives found persuasive and addressed- Final Standard is R73
- This ballot passed. The chair is working with the AASHTO publications dept. with working on pictures and such to finalize this document.

B. TS letter ballots

- i. None

C. Task Force Reports

- i. Any to share?
- No were discussed during the webinar.

V. New Business

A. Research Proposals

- i. None Received
- Rick Kreider (KS) can no longer be the Research Liaison for this tech section due to being promoted in the DOT. Anyone interested in taking this position? The Chair will delegate this responsibility to a member if he doesn't receive any volunteers by August.
- ii. Any ideas?
- The Chair received some communication from Universities interested in becoming more involved with SOM. The Chair is going to continue to work with the university personnel offline. He will have an update at our meeting in August.
- Evan Rothblatt indicated AASHTO is interested in having more academia involved. They can become friends of the tech sections.
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B. AMRL/CCRL Issues

- None

C. NCHRP Issues

- None
 - D. Correspondence, calls, meetings
 - i. Workgroup 15-01 – Weld Pull Test
 - 1. Workgroup overview of specification development
 - A lot of the reinforced pipe standards speak to a weld test and the criteria that needs to be met, however a test method wasn't specified. Kim Spahn (ACPA) has started to draft a test method. She wanted to take this to ASTM, but the Chair asked her to not do this so the Chair can take the lead on this. The draft was shared with the work group members. Comments were received from FL. Revisions were made during the webinar based on these comments. Chris Peoples (NC) suggested including this as an appendix to an existing AASHTO standard, AASHTO T244. The chair has reached out to Merrill Zwanka, because this standard falls under his tech section. This standard will be moved over to SOM TS 4f/g Motion to move this standard- motion made by SC, seconded by OK. All were in favor of passing this motion.
 - ii. Workgroup 15-02 – Water Quality
 - 1. Review and update on incorporation of M157
 - There were no water quality standards listed in the specifications for concrete products. NE explained to the Chair why AASHT T26 was withdrawn. Emails were exchanged on this subject. This area is intended to be added into Section 6.4.4 of AASHTO M170. The verbiage was discussed during the webinar. These standards will be revised and through a TS review prior to the meeting in August. NJ suggests putting it through a TS ballot prior to the meeting. Motion to have a TS ballot to add this language to all standards needing this language- motion made by VA, seconded by NJ. All were in favor of passing this motion.
 - E. Proposed New Standards
 - None
 - F. Proposed New Task Forces
 - None
 - G. Standards Requiring Reconfirmation
 - 11 queries need to be responded to from AASHTO publications dept.
 - H. SOM Ballot Items (including any ASTM changes)
 - The water quality standards will be balloted.
- VI. Open Discussion**
- AZ: Would like to be a voting member for this tech section. This change will be made today.
- VII. Adjourn**